

Attachment A: Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) Postings Regarding Consultation on Proposed Special Economic Zones Act and Species Conservation Act Regulations

Title (ERO Proposal #)	Description
<p>ERO 025-0391</p> <p>Special Economic Zones Act, 2025</p>	<p>On June 5, 2025, the <i>Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025</i> received Royal Assent, which enacted, among other changes to legislation, the new <i>Special Economic Zones Act, 2025</i>. The SEZA gives the Ontario government the authority to designate special economic zones, projects, and proponents through regulation if certain criteria are met and then exempt designated projects in zones from permitting and approvals under any Act or regulation.</p> <p>Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade</p>
<p>ERO 025-1077</p> <p>Consultation on Proposed Special Economic Zones Criteria</p>	<p>The Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade is proposing regulations under the <i>Special Economic Zones Act, 2025</i> to establish criteria for designating special economic zones, projects and proponents to ensure the regulatory framework is in place to support long-term economic growth and development of Ontario's economy.</p> <p>Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade</p>
<p>ERO 025-0908</p> <p>Developing guidance on Section 16 activities under the Species Conservation Act, 2025</p>	<p>The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks is proposing to develop new guidance materials under the <i>Species Conservation Act, 2025</i> to assist in assessing whether an activity is likely to have an impact to a protected species or species' habitat such that a registration or permit would be required. The new guidance would replace or update existing policies and technical direction currently available for the <i>Endangered Species Act, 2007</i>.</p> <p>Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks</p>
<p>ERO 025-0909</p> <p>Proposed legislative and regulatory amendments to enable the Species Conservation Act, 2025</p>	<p>The Ministry is consulting on five proposed new regulations including minor amendments to the Species Conservation Act, 2025 to enable implementation of the Act: Protected Species in Ontario List regulation, Registration regulation, permit regulation, Exception regulation and a Transition regulation. Proposed amendments to the regulation under the Environmental Bill of Rights will exempt all permits and orders issued under the Species Conservation Act, 2025 from the requirements of Part II of the Bill.</p> <p>Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks</p>